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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a PTO-1449 form and eight (8) references in connection with the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(3) this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action. Applicants note that two of the patents contained in the attached PTO-1449 form were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application; a copy of the International Search Report is attached for your reference. The remaining four references were cited in the application.

Additionally, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, the enclosed form PTO-1449 lists two co-pending applications, which are assigned to the assignee hereof, and potentially related to subject matter of, the subject named application.

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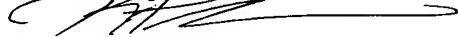
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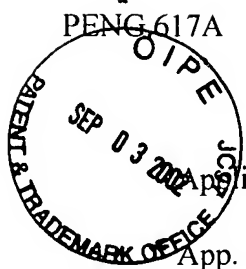
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) listing eight (8) references, which are enclosed;
3. Copy of International Search Report (6 pages); and,
4. Return prepaid postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501423. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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